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Mosco, April 13.

THis Court has been of late full of trouble and disorder, occasioned by the indisposition of the young *Czar*, with a suspition that he was poison'd, which, as you have heretofore heard, several persons of quality were charged to have had a hand in, and thereupon committed to prison, and examined, and even put to the torture; but hitherto nothing appears to ground an accusation against any one, and even the suspition of the *Czars* being poison'd is very much lessened. The great preparations which are making by the *Ottomans* does not a little perplex this Court, which is very sensible they are intended against them; and therefore the *Czar* is endeavouring to make Alliances with his Neighbours, and for that purpose is going to send Ambassadors to the King of *Poland*, and to the King of *Persia*, which latter, it's thought, may be easily persuaded to break with the *Grand Seignior*, after he shall be engaged in a War against us. The Ministers of the King of *Denmark* and the Elector of *Brandenburg* are not wanting to make all such representations to these Ministers, as they think may have any effect upon them, to encline them to a rupture with *Sueden*, in which hitherto they have not met with the success they desire.

Naples, May 4. This week sailed from hence five Galleys of the Duke of *Tursis* Squadron, having on board 300 men, of those that were last raised, bound for *Palermo*. Our Viceroy has desired the Marquis *de Bayonne* to pass to *Sicily*, to take care of the Kings affairs there, till the Cardinal *de Porto Carero*, to whom that Government is committed *pro interim*, arrives. The Body of the deceased Viceroy, the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo*, is brought hither, and will be transported to *Spain* to be there interred. From *Palermo* we have advice, that 200 men had been sent from thence to reinforce the Garrison of *Trapani*; and that the Duke *de Vivonne* was preparing to take the Field. The Privateers of *Messina* have taken four of our Tartans laden with Provisions, and designed to *Reggio*. We hear, that nine men of War are sailed from *Messina*, though we know not with what design. The *Banditi* in *Calabria* do much mischief.

Milan, May 5. The Prince *de Ligne* our Governour has appointed a General Rendezvous of the Troops in this Dutchy to be held the 8 instant; in the mean time, those designed for *Sicily* march towards *Final*, where they are to embarque. Since the death of the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo*, Viceroy of *Sicily*, the report is renewed of our Governour being appointed to succeed him. From *Genoua* they write, that they had received advice by a Felucca, that about 40 Sail of *French* Ships, of which, 12 were Capital Men of War, and the rest laden with Soldiers, Ammunition, and Provisions, were arrived at *Messina*; the Soldiers consisted in about 1500 men.

Madrid, May 4. The King is arrived at *Saragosa*, having been received with all the honours and respects the place was capable of, and all imaginable demonstration of affection in the people; the Kings arrival there was on the 1*st.* instant, and the same day his Majesty took the usual Oath in the Cathedral Church, for the maintaining the privileges of the Kingdom of *Arragon*. The Count *de Humanes*, appointed Ambassador from this Crown to the Emperor, will in few days begin his journey from hence. People here are much concerned to hear of the great progresses made already this year in *Flanders* by the *French*; but what comforts them is, the great expectation they have, that the conclusion of the Campagne will be as much to our advantage, as the beginning has been to our disadvantage, being assured, that the Emperor alone will have near 60000 Men in the Field, besides the Army of the Prince of *Orange*, and the other Princes confederate in this War.

Vienna, May 14. The news we have from *Hungary* is not very good, for the Rebels seem to prepare to renew the War, which will oblige the Emperor to send more Forces into those parts to suppress them. The Bishop of *Gurck*, the first of the Emperors Ambassadors for the Treaty at *Nimeguen*, has not yet fixed the time for his departure from hence, which he seems not much to hasten. We are told, that the Duke of *Lorrain*, who commands the Emperors Forces in *Germany*, has a very unlimited Commission, to act as he shall find best.

Ditto, May 16. The 4*th.* of the next month the Emperor goes to *Marienfel*, where he will pass some time. At *Offen* is arrived another Turkish Chiaus, we cannot tell what his business may be; but suppose he comes to give this Court an account of the change of the Bassa in some one of the Turkish Frontier places. The Bishop of *Gurck*, as we are informed, has received his Dispatches, and will now in few days begin his journey to *Nimiguen*.

Copenhagen, May 22. The Baron of *Rusenstein* is to command the Army this Campagn; he is at present at *Landscroon*, to mark out a Camp for our Troops; there are already at *Landscroon* 10000 men, and within 14 days 12000 more will be sent over thither. The *Suedes* in the mean time are very quiet, the Recruits and Reinforcements they expect from *Sueden* being not yet come up. To morrow the King goes over to *Landscroon*, and will return again the next day. The Men of War that are designed to go and lie before *Gottenburg*, are ready to sail.

Hamburg, May 25. The five *Lunenburg* Regiments, which have for some time had their quarters in the Territories of the Duke of *Mecklenburg*, have received orders to march forthwith to joyn the *Imperial* and *Brandenburg* Troops in *Pomeren*, who will not be in a posture to act against the Enemy till the 8*th.* or 10*th.* of the next month. You have already heard of the report we had here, that 14 *Suedes* Men of War had been by accident burnt at *Stockholm*; yesterday arrived here several passengers, who came from thence in 14 days, they tell us, that the *Suedish* Fleet was in pretty good forwardness, and almost ready to put to Sea, but knew nothing of the said accident, or any thing like it.

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